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PRACTICES

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1. GOC INTENDS PARTICIPATE FULLY IN MARCH 6-10 EXPANDED ECOSOC WORKING GROUP, ACCORDING TO DAVID PEEL, EXTAFF DIRECTOR, INDUSTRY, INVESTMENT AND COMPETITION POLICY DIVISION. PEEL AND MICHEL DRAPEAU, SPECIAL ADVISER IN JUSTICE DEPARTMENT'S CONSTITUTIONAL, ADMINISTRATIVE AND INTERNATIONAL LAW SECTION, PLAN TO ATTEND.

2. PEEL TOLD EMBOFF HE HAD YESTERDAY RECEIVED MARK LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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FELDMAN'S PAPER ON LATEST U.S. THINKING. HE SAID PAPER WOULD BE STUDIED CAREFULLY, BUT DOUBTED WHETHER THERE WOULD BE CANADIAN CONSENSUS UNTIL LAST MINUTE BEFORE HE AND DRAPEAU LEAVE MARCH 5 FOR NEW YORK. HE REMARKED THAT CANADIANS MAY BE MORE ACTIVE, AS U.S. HAD REQUESTED, IF U.S. IS A BIT MORE FORTHCOMING ON DISCLOSURE.

3. PEEL ALSO TOLD EMBOFF THAT CANADA HAD APPROACHED INDONESIANS, AS SUGGESTED BY U.S. LAST FALL, ABOUT JOINING WORKING GROUP. THEY HAVE JUST HAD A RESPONSE WHICH INDICATED THE INDONESIANS WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN THE WORKING GROUP, EXPLAINING THAT THEIR MISSION IN NEW YORK IS ALREADY OVERBURDENED AND CAN NOT TAKE ON ANY ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITIES.

4. CANADIANS UNDERSTAND THAT PARSI IS BEING MADE AVAILABLE FOR MARCH 6 MEETING AND THEREFORE MAURICE COPITHORNE IS NOT BEING PROPOSED AS TEMPORARY CHAIRMAN. ENDERS

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